

## House Resolution 1575

By: Representatives Powell of the 29<sup>th</sup> and McCall of the 30<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Honorable John Waggoner upon the occasion of his retirement; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Honorable John Waggoner has long been recognized by the citizens of this  
4 state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to  
5 the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

6 WHEREAS, this dedicated public servant has diligently and conscientiously devoted four  
7 decades of his time, talents, and energy to improving the lives of his neighbors as mayor of  
8 the City of Colbert; and

9 WHEREAS, Mayor Waggoner was born on October 24, 1935, in Colbert, Georgia, the  
10 beloved son of Jim and Gladys Norman Waggoner; and

11 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty as a sergeant in the  
12 United States Army, valiantly and bravely protecting Americans and democracy during the  
13 Berlin Crisis and Cuban Missile Crisis; and

14 WHEREAS, Mayor Waggoner was elected to serve as mayor of Colbert in 1969, and for 40  
15 years, he remained in the position with no opposition and no votes cast against him,  
16 demonstrating how his effective leadership was appreciated by the citizens of Colbert; and

17 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
18 and diplomacy, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state have earned him  
19 the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

20 WHEREAS, Mayor Waggoner was united in love and marriage to his wife, Ann, on March  
21 1, 1957, and he has been blessed with two daughters, Angie and Alisa, a son-in-law, Corey  
22 Shiflet, and two grandchildren, Austin and Peyton; and

23 WHEREAS, during his tenure as mayor, he oversaw great prosperity and economic growth  
24 and development for the City of Colbert and its residents; and

25 WHEREAS, although his presence as mayor of Colbert will be sorely missed upon his  
26 retirement, his influence will be present for future generations of Colbert residents; and

27 WHEREAS, it is fitting that this body express its appreciation to Mayor Waggoner for the  
28 great credit he reflects on his community and this state.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
30 the members of this body commend the Honorable John Waggoner for his over four decades  
31 of outstanding, efficient, and effective service to the City of Colbert and extend to him  
32 sincere best wishes for the future.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
34 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Honorable John  
35 Waggoner.